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Republican National Committee
310 First Street SE
Washington, DC 20003

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Reference: Amended July Monthly Report (6/1/02-6/30/02), received 9/13/02

Dear Mr. Retzer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule H2 of your report indicates that your committee participated in M6, P6, S6 (EVENT DATES 6/1-6/30/02), G5 (EVENT DATES 5/1-5/31/02), and M5 activities or events during the reporting period. However, there are no corresponding disbursements reflected on your Schedule H4. Note that you need not include activities on Schedule H2 if there are no corresponding payments made for the activity during the reporting period. If any disbursements were incorrectly reported, you should file an amended Schedule H4 with the correct unique identifying code or title, or provide clarifying information regarding the activities on Schedule H2.

-Schedule H4 discloses disbursements for E, G, M, P, S, and T which are categorized as fundraising; however, Schedule H2 does not include the allocation ratios for this activity. Please amend Schedule H2 to disclose the omitted ratios.

-Please clarify all expenditures made for PRODUCTION COST, BROADCAST SVS, VIDEO SVS, and MEDIA COST on Schedule(s) B and H4. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed

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on Schedules B, E, or F supporting Lines 23, 24, or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule(s) B and H4 of your report to clarify the following description(s): SUPPLIES and TRANS. For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

-Your EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE calculations for administration/voter drive and T are incorrect. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for administrative and voter drive costs are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year for the whole Administrative/Voter Drive category. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for fundraising, direct candidate support, and exempt activities are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year within a specific event. These should be calculated by adding the latest disbursement for a category or event to the previous EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total for that category or event. This running EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total should be disclosed after each disbursement is listed. Please amend your report by providing the correct EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals.

-Schedule H4 of your report discloses disbursements for the "Administrative/Voter Drive" category which use a ratio that is inconsistent with the ratio disclosed on Schedule H1 for the 2001 - 2002 election cycle. The ballot composition ratio for the allocation of administrative and generic voter drive expenses should be the same for the full two-year election cycle. The transfer-out of the federal share for the in-kind from James Davison is inconsistent with ratio disclosed on Schedule H1. Please amend your report to clarify this apparent discrepancy.

Please note that if your non-federal account has overpaid your federal account because of this miscalculation, it will be necessary to immediately transfer these funds back to the non-federal account. While the Commission may take further legal action concerning any impermissible overpayments by the non-federal account, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.


A response or amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements,

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designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (302) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



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Reports Analysis Division

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